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DWR Schedules Workshops for the
2004 Water Desalination Draft Proposal Solicitation Package
and Request for Public Comment

SACRAMENTO – The Department of Water Resources will hold two workshops to inform interested parties about the 2004 Water Desalination **Draft** Proposal Solicitation Package and to request public comments on the PSP.

This grant program implements Chapter 6(a) of Proposition 50 (the Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002), which authorizes the California Department of Water Resources to administer a \$50 million desalination program. The program provides grants for construction projects as well as research and development, feasibility studies, pilot, and demonstration projects. This grant program aims to assist with the development of local water supplies through brackish water and seawater desalination.

The **Draft** PSP is available for review on the DWR website:

<http://www.owue.water.ca.gov/finance/>

Interested parties need not attend the workshops to submit written comments, which are due by **August 23, 2004** and should be directed to Fawzi Karajeh, Office of Water Use Efficiency, California Department of Water resources, P.O. Box 942836, Sacramento, CA 94236-0001 or to fkarajeh@water.ca.gov.

Encouraged to attend are persons representing public entities involved with water management activities including: cities, counties, Joint power authorities, public water districts, universities and colleges, tribes, non-profit organizations, watershed management groups, State agencies, and Federal agencies.

This is not the Final PSP. Interested parties should not submit applications at this time.

Workshop Schedule

Sacramento

Thursday, August 12, 2004

10:00 – 12:00

Department of Water

Resources

Bonderson Bldg., Hearing

Room A

901 P Street

Sacramento, CA 95814

Long Beach

Tuesday August 17, 2004

10:00 – 12:00

Long Beach Water

Department

Assembly Room

1800 East Wardlow Road

Long Beach, CA 90807-

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